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Sir:

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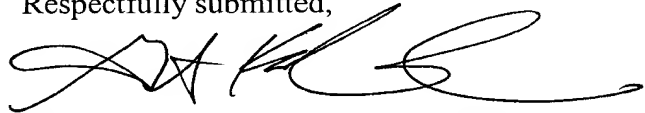
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STATEMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 AND 1.56

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56 and 1.97(b), applicants make of record the following documents, copies of which are submitted herewith:\*

United States Patent Documents

Jorgensen et al., United States Patent 5,034,323, issued July 23, 1991

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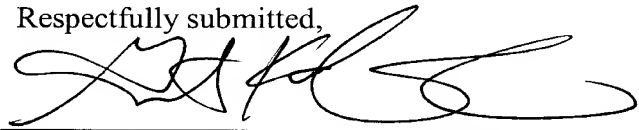
\* A completed Form PTO-1449 listing these documents is enclosed.

Foreign Patent Documents

International Patent Application WO 90/12084, published October 18, 1990

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